

## Claims Amendments

1. (Canceled)

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently amended) ~~The self-propelled carriage according to claim 3,~~ A self-propelled carriage comprising a movable body capable of moving in a longitudinal direction with respect to a carriage body, and moving means, said movable body comprising a turnable body turnable about a vertical axis, and turning means having an article support body mounted over said turnable body, wherein:

the movable body performs a longitudinal movement whilst the turning body performs a turning movement in a synchronised manner; and

a cover member for covering the article supporting body is located on top of the carriage body such that a portion of said carriage body is turnable in unison with the turnable body, and the cover member comprises a fixed cover section located on the front end of the carriage body, a sliding cover section capable of sliding with respect to the fixed cover section and a movable cover section ~~located in a turnable manner~~ capable of turning in unison with the turnable body.

5. (Currently amended) The self-propelled carriage according to ~~claim 3~~ claim 4, wherein the article supporting body is a fork device extendable and retractable in forward and backward directions.

6. (Previously presented) The self-propelled carriage according to claim 4, wherein the article supporting body is a fork device extendable and retractable in forward and backward directions.